

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 30, 2002**

Date & Time	On the 30 th day of April, A.D., 2002, the City Council of the City of Fort Worth, Texas, met in regular session at 10:05 a.m. in the City Council Chamber, 1000 Throckmorton, with the following members and officers present:
Attendance	Mayor Kenneth Barr; Mayor Pro tempore Ralph McCloud; Council Members Jim Lane, Chuck Silcox, Becky Haskin, Clyde Picht, Jeff Wentworth, and Wendy Davis; City Manager Gary Jackson; City Attorney David Yett; City Secretary Gloria Pearson. Council Member Frank Moss was absent. With more than a quorum present, the following business was transacted.
Invocation	Reverend H. L. Hughes, Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church, gave the invocation.
Pledge	The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
Minutes	On motion of Council Member Silcox, seconded by Council Member Haskin, the minutes of the regular meeting of April 23, 2002, were approved unanimously.
Special Presentations	<p>Mayor Pro tempore McCloud presented a Proclamation for Migration Week to Mr. Rafael Rondon, representing Catholic Charities.</p> <p>Council Member Silcox presented a Proclamation for Be Kind to Animals Week to Dan Reimer, Health Department Director, who introduced Donna Riggs from Furever Friends, JoDell Lynn, Judy Richardson and Delinda Gull from WildCare, Inc. Ms. Richardson stated that the all-volunteer organization received 10 to 20 animals a week and requested Council's support to continue the program.</p>
Announcements	<p>Council Member Picht requested that all political candidates who ran in the last Primary Election please remove all their signs from various areas in the City.</p> <p>Council Member Lane expressed appreciation to City of Dallas Mayor Laura Miller and the Dallas City Council, Mayor Barr and the City staff for the outstanding briefing on Fort Worth's downtown revitalization and reception. Mayor Barr thanked Downtown Fort Worth, Inc., the Chamber of Commerce, and Planning Director, Fernando Costa, for their work on this event also and stated that the program was well received by everyone.</p> <p>Council Member Silcox echoed Mr. Picht's request for candidates to remove their signs and specifically named Janice Schattman, Wallace Bowman and Jack Byno to remove their signs from the Bryant Irvin Road area.</p>

Withdrawn from Consent Agenda	<p>City Manager Jackson requested that Mayor and Council Communication No. P-9593 be withdrawn from the consent agenda.</p> <p>Council Member Silcox requested that Mayor and Council Communication No. G-13610 be withdrawn from the consent agenda.</p>
Continued/ Withdrawn By Staff	<p>City Manager Jackson requested that Mayor and Council Communication No. P-9593 be continued for one week.</p>
Consent Agenda	<p>On motion of Council Member Silcox, seconded by Council Member Wentworth, the consent agenda, as amended, was adopted unanimously.</p>
Appointments	<p>Council Member Haskin made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro tempore McCloud, to appoint Dr. Kenneth McIntosh to Place 3 on the Human Relations Commission effective April 30, 2002, and with a term to expire October 1, 2003. The motion carried unanimously.</p>
Res. #2830 Oppose Issuance of Multifamily Revenue Bonds	<p>There was presented Resolution No. 2830 by the City Council of the City of Fort Worth, opposing the issuance of multifamily housing revenue bonds by the State for the Main Street Apartments project as currently proposed. Council Member Davis made a motion, seconded by Council Member Silcox, that the resolution be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.</p>
OCS-1279 Claims	<p>There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. OCS-1279 from the Office of the City Secretary recommending that the City Council refer notices of claims regarding alleged damages and/or injuries to the Finance Department. It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted.</p>
G-13604 Downtown Strategic Action Plan	<p>There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. G-13604 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council authorize payment to Downtown Fort Worth, Inc. in the amount of \$35,000.00 for the City's contribution to the update of the Downtown Strategic Action Plan. It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted.</p>
G-13605 Ord. #15088 Homeownership Counseling Services	<p>There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. G-13605 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Authorize the City Manager to accept, if offered, a grant for \$100,000.00 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for housing counseling services; and

- 2. Adopt Appropriation Ordinance No. 15088 increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Grants Fund in the amount of \$100,000.00, subject to receipt of a grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to fund Homeownership Counseling Services; and**
- 3. Certify that the activities to be funded with the Housing Counseling Services funds are consistent with the City's Consolidated Action Plan.**

It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted.

**G-13606
Res. #2831
Lawsuit Against
E. F. Harralson,
Jr.**

There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. G-13606 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council:

- 1. Authorize the City Attorney to file a lawsuit pursuant to Chapter 54 of the Texas Local Government Code against E. F. Harralson, Jr., the owner of the premises located at 2625 Precinct Line Road, Fort Worth, Texas. The property is being utilized as a manufactured home park, and various forms of debris are being allowed to accumulate and vegetation is growing at a prohibited height in violation of City code; and**
- 2. Adopt Resolution No. 2831 authorizing the City Attorney to file a lawsuit against E. F. Harralson, Jr. pursuant to Chapter 54 of the Texas Local Government Code.**

It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted.

**G-13607
Res. #2832
Authorize
Lawsuits to
Finalize Building
Standards
Commission
Civil Penalty
Order**

There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. G-13607 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council authorize the City Attorney to file a lawsuit against various property owners in order to finalize the Building Standards Commission civil penalty order; and adopt Resolution No. 2832 authorizing the City Attorney to file lawsuits to finalize Building Standards Commission civil penalties orders pursuant to Chapter 54 and 213 of the Texas Local Government Code and Section 7-103 of the City Code. It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted.

G-13608
Appointments to
Disciplinary
Appeals Board

There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. G-13608 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council confirm the appointment of Ms. Joe Ella Sims and Ms. Nova L. Sheppard-Wilson to the Disciplinary Appeals Board for a three-year term. It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted.

G-13609
Ord. #15089
Congestion
Mitigation & Air
Quality
Improvement
Project

There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. G-13609 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council:

1. Authorize the transfer of \$1,720,438.00 from the Water and Sewer Operating Fund to the Water Capital Project Fund in the amount of \$975,042.00, and the Sewer Capital Project Fund in the amount of \$745,396.00; and
2. Adopt Appropriation Ordinance No. 15089 increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Water Capital Project Fund in the amount of \$975,042.00 and in the Sewer Capital Projects Fund in the amount of \$745,396.00 from available funds for the purpose of funding payment to the Texas Department of Transportation for a Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Project for water, sanitary sewer, and roadway improvements to the Granbury Road/Wabash Avenue/Trail Lake Drive/Seminary Drive intersections; and
3. Authorize payment to the Texas Department of Transportation in the amount of \$2,561,578.00 for a Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Project for water, sanitary sewer, and roadway improvements to the Granbury Road/Wabash Avenue/Trail Lake Drive/Seminary Drive intersections.

It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted.

G-13610
Continued for
One Week

There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. G-13610 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council approve certain amendments to the City's Speed Zone Ordinance, Chapter 22 of the City Code, by adopting an ordinance amending Chapter 22 Motor Vehicles and Traffic of the Code of the City of Fort Worth (1986), as amended, by amending Subsection Subsections (f) and (g) of Section 22-86 of Article III thereof by changing location, extent and/or speed limits of certain speed zones.

Council Member Silcox made a motion, seconded by Council Member Davis, to continue Mayor and Council Communication No. G-13610 for one week. The motion carried unanimously.

**G-13611
Ord. #15090
Mobile Source
Outreach
Assistance
Project**

There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. G-13611 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council:

1. Authorize the City Manager to submit a grant application in the amount of \$38,160.00 through the Texas Natural Resource Conversation Commission (TNRCC) for the Environmental Protection Agency Mobile Source Outreach Assistance Program for the purpose of funding an education project in the Environmental Management Department; and
2. Authorize the City Manager to accept and execute the TNRCC grant contract, if awarded; and
3. Authorize the use of a total of \$25,440.00 in personnel services from the General Fund in FY2003 and FY2004 as the City's in-kind match for this grant; and
4. Adopt Appropriation Ordinance No. 15090 increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Grants Fund in the amount of \$63,000.00 from available funds for the purpose of funding grant application for Mobile Source Outreach Assistance Project.

It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted.

**G-13612
Waive Building,
Fire and
Development
Related Fees for
Public Market
Project**

There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. G-13612 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council increase the maximum amount of fee waiver from \$7,000.00 to \$14,000.00 for the building and development related fees for the Public Market project at 1401 Jones Street. Council Member Davis made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro tempore McCloud, that the recommendation be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

**G-13613
Continued Until
May 28, 2002**

There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. G-13613 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council deny the request by Bill and Jane Walton for a Historic Site Tax Exemption for work performed on a house located at 1424 South Adams Street. Council Member Davis made a motion, seconded by Council Member Silcox, that the M&C be continued until May 28, 2002 to allow the Legal Department sufficient time to review the amendment proposed by Mr. and Mrs. Walton. The motion carried unanimously.

**G-13614
Proposed
Project
Implementation
Schedule for SH-
121T Southwest
Parkway**

There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. G-13614 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council approve the proposed work action plan for the SH-121T Southwest Parkway project as recommended by Prime Strategies, Inc. Council Member Silcox made a motion, seconded by Council Member Davis, that the recommendation be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

**P-9586
Professional
Services
Contract for
Remediation of
City's Mainframe
Computer
Operating
Environment**

There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. P-9586, dated April 23, 2002, from the City Manager recommending that the City Council authorize the City Manager to execute a professional services contract with Avizion Technologies Group, Inc. for remediation of the City's mainframe computer operating environment at a cost not to exceed \$64,000.00 for the Information Technology Solutions Department using the State of Texas Catalogue purchasing procedures; and authorize the contract to begin April 23, 2002, and expire September 30, 2002.

Council Member Davis requested that staff provide a report to Council in six months relative to actual cost of services performed under this contract.

Mayor Pro tempore McCloud made a motion, seconded by Council Member Wentworth, that the recommendation be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

**P-9587
Copy Services**

There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. P-9587 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council authorize a purchase agreement with Texas Printing & Litigation for copy services for the City of Fort Worth based on the low bid with payment due 60 days after receipt of the invoice, with freight included in the unit price; and authorize the agreement to begin April 30, 2002, and expire April 29, 2003, with options to renew for two successive one-year periods. It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted.

**P-9588
Water Bill
Envelopes**

There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. P-9588 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council authorize a purchase agreement with Gateway Direct and Mail-Well Envelope Company for water bill envelopes for the Water Department based on the low bid, with freight included in the unit price, and payment due 30 days after receipt of the invoice; and authorize this agreement to begin May 1, 2002, and expire April 30, 2003, with options to renew for two additional one-year periods. It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted.

- | | |
|--|---|
| P-9589
Boarding and
Securing
Structures | There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. P-9589 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council authorize a purchase agreement with City Haul for boarding and securing structures for the Code Compliance Department with payment due 30 days after the date of invoice; and authorize this agreement to begin April 30, 2002, and expire April 29, 2003, with options to renew for two additional one-year periods. It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted. |
| P-9590
Waste Disposal
Services | There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. P-9590 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council authorize a purchase agreement with Cold Springs Processing and Disposal for waste disposal services for the Water Department based on the sole bid received, with payment due 30 days after the date of the invoice; and authorize this agreement to begin April 30, 2002, and expire April 29, 2003, with options to renew for two successive one-year periods. It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted. |
| P-9591
Network Fiber
and Cable
Wiring
Installation
Services | There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. P-9591 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council authorize the City Manager to amend M&C P-9514 removing Idex Global Services and Clover Technologies, Inc. as vendors for network fiber and cable wiring installation services; and authorize the City Manager to amend M&C P-9514 adding Fiske Technologies and Romanoff Technologies as vendors for the network fiber and cable wiring installation services for the Information Technology Solutions Department. It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted. |
| P-9592
Computer
Support
Services | There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. P-9592 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council authorize the City Manager to execute an amendment to the purchase agreement with Data Applications Corporation to extend the term of the agreement for up to 90 days for computer support services for the Information Technology Solutions Department. It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted. |
| P-9593
Continued for
One Week | It was the consensus of the City Council that Mayor and Council Communication No. P-9593, Purchase Agreement with Montague County Individual Development Corporation through the Texas Industries for the Blind and Handicapped of Fort Worth to Provide Ground Maintenance Services for the Parks and Community Services Department, be continued for one week. |

- | | |
|---|---|
| L-13285
Office Space | There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. L-13285 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council authorize a lease with Monroe Street Professional Building, Limited for office space located at 900 Monroe Street for the Water Department and the Economic and Community Development Department; and authorize the City Manager to execute the appropriate leases. It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted. |
| L-13286
Drainage
Easement | There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. L-13286 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council authorize the acceptance of a permanent 15-foot drainage easement described as A-214, Guadalupe Cardinas Survey, Tarrant County, Texas, from Briscoe Company, Ltd. (DOE 3363) for a cost of \$1.00. It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted. |
| L-13287
Permanent
Utility Easement | There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. L-13287 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council approve the acceptance of a permanent utility easement described as Block 5, Western Crossroads Addition, Tarrant County, Texas, from 820 Highway 80, Ltd. (DOE 3712) for a cost of \$1.00. It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted. |
| L-13288
Permanent
Utility
Easements,
Sanitary Sewer
Easement and
Water Line
Easement | There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. L-13288 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council approve the acceptance of one permanent utility easement and one permanent sanitary sewer easement described as A-999, William McCowen Survey, from Maurice Smulders, one permanent utility easement described as Lot 1, Block 1, Lawson Addition, from Allen Samuels Realty, and one permanent water line easement described as A-999, William McCowen Survey, all in Tarrant County, Texas, from Synergy Industrials Park, Ltd. (DOE 3597) for a total cost of \$4.00. It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted. |
| L-13289
Purchase
Parcels of
Property | There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. L-13289 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council approve the purchase of Lots 16, 20 and 21, Block 4, Lakeland Addition; and authorize the City Manager to execute the appropriate documents to complete the purchase. It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted. |

- | | |
|--|--|
| L-13290
Avigation
Easement | There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. L-13290 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council authorize the acceptance of an avigation easement described as Lot 5, Block 94, M. G. Ellis Addition, from A. L. S. Enterprise, Inc. over property located at 3109 Lee Avenue for the Fort Worth Meacham International Airport Noise Mitigation Program for a cost of \$1.00; and authorize the acceptance and recording of the appropriate instruments. It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted. |
| L-13291
Condemnation
of Properties for
Development
and Extension of
the North
Runway at Fort
Worth Alliance
Airport | There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. L-13291 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council authorize the condemnation of three properties described as 74.884 Acres, William Zecular Survey, Abstract No. 1454, from 156 Alliance Partners, 51.563 Acres, G. Overton Survey, Abstract No. 972, and C. Sutton Survey, Abstract No. 1230, from C. & O. Peterson, and 56.261 Acres, G. Overton Survey, Abstract No. 972, from by Doris Fenner, Executrix, all in Denton County, Texas, required for the development and extension of the north runway at Fort Worth Alliance Airport (DOE 3620); and authorize the City Attorney to institute condemnation proceedings to acquire the interest in the properties. It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted. |
| C-19064
Amend CSC
#27342 – Arts
Council of Fort
Worth and
Tarrant County | There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. C-19064 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council authorize the City Manager to amend City Secretary Contract No. 27342 with the Arts Council of Fort Worth and Tarrant County to reinstate a portion of FY2001-2002 funding. It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted. |
| C-19065
Amend CSC
#27341 – Van
Cliburn
Foundation, Inc. | There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. C-19065 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council authorize the City Manager to amend City Secretary Contract No. 27341 with the Van Cliburn Foundation, Inc. to reinstate a portion of FY2001-2002 funding. It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted. |
| C-19066
Amend CSC
#27339 – Modern
Art Museum | There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. C-19066 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council authorize the City Manager to amend City Secretary Contract No. 27339 with the Modern Art Museum to reinstate a portion of FY2001-2002 funding. It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted. |

**C-19067
Amend CSC
#27340 –
Museum of
Science and
History**

There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. C-19067 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council authorize the City Manager to amend City Secretary Contract No. 27340 with the Museum of Science and History to reinstate a portion of FY2001-2002 funding. It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted.

**C-19068
Amend CSC
#27338 – Fort
Worth Sister
Cities
International**

There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. C-19068 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council authorize the City Manager to amend City Secretary Contract No. 27338 with Fort Worth Sister Cities International to reinstate a portion of FY2001-2002 funding. It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted.

**C-19069
Ord. #15091
Texas
Department of
Health**

There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. C-19069 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council:

- 1. Authorize the City Manager to execute a contract with the Texas Department of Health (TDH) for \$600,000.00 to be used for public health preparedness and bioterrorism response during the period June 1, 2002, to August 31, 2003; and**
- 2. Adopt Appropriation Ordinance No. 15091 increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Grants Fund, in the amount of \$600,000.00 from available funds, for the purpose of enhancing public health preparedness and bioterrorism responsiveness; and**
- 3. Approve an indirect cost rate of ten percent, as authorized by TDH.**

It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted.

**C-19070
Terminate CSCs
24183, 24180,
24184, 24181,
24716, and
24131 – Sterling-
Fort Worth JC,
L.P.**

There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. C-19070 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council authorize the City Manager to terminate City Secretary Contract Nos. 24183, 24180, 24184, 24181, 24716, and 24131 and all associated amendments with Sterling-Fort Worth JC, L.P. at Fort Worth Meacham International Airport; and approve lease agreements with Sterling-Fort Worth JC, L.P. for Lease Sites 11N, 12 and 14N, 17N, 19N, 20N and 22N, and T-Hangar 11S at Fort Worth Meacham International Airport. It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted.

- | | |
|---|--|
| C-19071
Kimley-Horn &
Associates, Inc. | There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. C-19071 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council authorize the City Manager to execute an engineering agreement with Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$474,600.00 for water distribution system improvements in the Medical District. It was the consensus of the City Council that the recommendation be adopted. |
| C-19072
First Southwest
Company and
Estrada
Hinojosa | There was presented Mayor and Council Communication No. C-19072 from the City Manager recommending that the City Council authorize the City Manager to enter into contracts with First Southwest Company and Estrada Hinojosa for financial advisory services; and authorize these agreements to begin May 21, 2002, and expire May 20, 2005, with two one-year options to renew. Council Member Wentworth made a motion, seconded by Council Member Silcox, that the recommendation be adopted. The motion carried unanimously. |
| Public Hearing
1615 Lee
Avenue | <p>It appeared that the City Council set today as the date for a public hearing for the Appeal of the Order of the Building Standards Commission regarding 1615 Lee Avenue. Mayor Barr asked if there was anyone present desiring to be heard.</p> <p>Mr. Carl Smart, Code Compliance Director, appeared before the City Council, presented a staff report regarding property located at 1615 Lee Avenue, and recommended Council uphold the decision of the Building Standards Commission by assessing a civil penalty of \$12,500.00.</p> <p>There being no one else present desiring to be heard in connection with the Appeal of the Order of the Building Standards Commission regarding 1615 Lee Avenue, Council Member Lane made a motion, seconded by Council Member Silcox, that the public hearing be closed and that Council uphold the decision of the Building Standards Commission by assessing a civil penalty of \$12,500.00. The motion carried unanimously.</p> |
| Public Hearing
2120 Lincoln
Avenue | It appeared that the City Council set today as the date for a public hearing for the Appeal of the Order of the Building Standards Commission regarding 2120 Lincoln Avenue. Mayor Barr asked if there was anyone present desiring to be heard. |

Mr. Carl Smart, Code Compliance Director, appeared before the City Council, presented a staff report regarding property located at 2120 Lincoln Avenue, and recommended Council uphold the decision of the Building Standards Commission by assessing a civil penalty of \$2,500.00.

There being no one else present desiring to be heard in connection with the Appeal of the Order of the Building Standards Commission regarding 2120 Lincoln Avenue, Council Member Lane made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro tempore McCloud, that the public hearing be closed and that Council uphold the decision of the Building Standards Commission by assessing a civil penalty of \$2,500.00. The motion carried unanimously.

**Citizen
Presentations
Lorie Hicks**

Ms. Lorie Hicks, 2204 Mistletoe Blvd., Artistic Director for Kids Who Care, appeared before Council in support of the Stone Soup Connection after school program. She requested Council's support to continue funding this program in the FWISD schools.

Council Member Davis presented Council with background information on recent developments whereby the program's services had been decreased from ten schools to three schools based on a recommendation of the Fort Worth After School Coordinating Board, comprised of employees from the City of Fort Worth and the Fort Worth Independent School District. Ms. Davis provided information relative to insufficient time to provide a certified audit, the Board's unresponsiveness to Stone Soup's repeated requests for reasons for discontinuing the program in seven schools, and stated that there was not a good decision making process under the request for proposal nor was there a good decision making process for appealing the Board's recommendation.

Judy Phillipson

Ms. Judy Phillipson, 1401 5th Avenue, Director of Stone Soup Connection, appeared before Council and stated that the program has had a good relationship with the City since its inception in 1995. She added that a two day notice was insufficient time to provide an audit, but assured Council that the program was well within budget constraints. She continued by stating that decreasing the program ultimately hurts the children and submitted letters of support from parents and collaborators attesting to the importance of the program.

- Patsy Powell** **Ms. Patsy Powell, 2105 6th Avenue, representing the Fairmount Neighborhood, appeared before Council and stated volunteers of the Fairmount Neighborhood, who had a vision for the children, started the Stone Soup Connection program. She added that the children are involved in many community activities and asked for Council's continued support of the program.**
- Tammie Wade** **Ms. Tammie Wade, 1053 Cole Court, appeared before Council in support of continuing the Stone Soup Connection program and stated that her son's school grades had dramatically improved as a result of this program. She added that the focus should be on educating children and providing them with a safe environment.**
- Juanita Jimenez** **Ms. Juanita Jimenez, 3006 S. Jennings, appeared before Council in support of the Stone Soup Connection programs. She stated that parents who had a vested interest in the program's continuation staffed the program. She added that her daughter attended the second grade at George C. Clarke Elementary, which was one of the schools the program was being discontinued and requested Council continue funding for the program at the school.**
- Sergio DeLeon** **Mr. Sergio L. DeLeon, 4413 Geddes, appeared before Council in support of the Stone Soup Connection and read a letter from John Roach, a senior at Paschal High School, which related the positive impact the program had in his development and the important contribution of the teachers at Stone Soup Connection. Mr. DeLeon requested Council continue the program in all schools on the South side of the City.**

Mayor Barr thanked all these citizens for attending the Council meeting and stated that the City had a joint school committee that looked into these matters. He asked that the City Manager provide Council with a detailed report relative to after school programs.

City Manager Jackson stated that staff would provide Council with an update of the process and contracting for after school programs to include where and how the decision making process was made.

Council Member Lane asked that the report also provide information relative to how the program qualified for one school but not another.

Darlia Hobbs **Ms. Darlia Hobbs, 8113 Anchorage Place, appeared before Council in opposition of the proposed annexation. She stated that the annexation was involuntary and unconstitutional.**

Executive Session **It was the consensus of the City Council that they recess into Executive Session at 11:15 a.m. to:**

- 1. Seek the advice of its attorneys concerning the following pending or contemplated litigation or other matters that are exempt from public disclosure under Article X, Section 9 of the Texas State Bar Rules, as authorized by Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code:**
 - a) Howard Construction Company v. City of Fort Worth, Cause No. 342-181282-99;**
 - b) Cynthia DeOreo v. City of Fort Worth, Cause No. 00-08-455 (Wise County);**
 - c) Emilio Cardona, et al – Claim No. R0008074;**
 - d) James S. DuBose v. City of Fort Worth, Cause No. 17-180555-99;**
 - e) Legal issues concerning Block 82, Downtown Fort Worth Addition (former Bank One building);**
 - f) Legal issues concerning community facilities cost participation policies;**
 - g) Legal issues concerning mutual aid and fire service agreements;**
 - h) Legal issues concerning any City Council agenda item; and**
- 2. Discuss the purchase, sale, lease, or value of real property in accordance with Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code. Deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third party; and**
- 3. Deliberate concerning economic development negotiations as authorized by Section 551.086 of the Texas Government Code; and**

- 4. Deliberate the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices, in accordance with Section 551.076 of the Texas Government Code.**

Reconvened **The City Council reconvened into regular session at 12:20 p.m.**

Adjournment **There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m.**